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## ANNUAL COUNTY SCHOOL FAIR WILL ATTRACT LARGE CROWDS

**Preparations Are Almost Completed and It Now Remains for the Exhibits to Arrive and the Contestants to File Application Blanks.**

COUNTY FAIR PROPER WILL BEGIN ABOUT 9.30 WHEN THE DOORS TO THE COURT HOUSE WILL BE THROWN OPEN FOR INSPECTION OF EXHIBITS, ATHLETIC AND LITERARY CONTESTS TO BE GOING ON IN ALL DEPARTMENTS AT THE SAME TIME.

Friday, April 17th, will be the eventful day of the spring. Thousands of school children, thousands of patrons and hundreds of teachers and trustees will be here to attend the annual county school fair. Last year fully five thousand people were in attendance fair day and this year even more are expected.

### The Four Departments.

There will be four different departments to interest visitors. These are the exhibition of arts and crafts in the court house, the literary contests in the graded school building, the athletic contests on the school campus and the parade through the principal streets. In addition to these will be the high school oratorical contest at night, which is in reality a part of the literary department.

### The Parade.

The great School Parade consisting of over 200 school trustees and 4,000 school children and teachers, will be one of the most important features of the County School Fair. The success of the School Fair will be judged very largely by the parade. The trustees and teachers are therefore, earnestly requested to co-operate in every possible way to make the parade a success.

The trustees will assemble on the graded school grounds in front of the building near the entrance. The grand marshal of the day, Col. J. D. W. Watts will have general supervision of the entire parade. He and his lieutenants will form the trustees in line of march, four abreast, and ready to march at 11:30. The trustees will march by townships following the order of the list of schools below.

The schools will assemble on the school grounds by townships. There will be a designated place on the grounds for each township and about this will be grouped the various schools of that township. The schools will march in the parade by townships, following the order in which the schools are listed below. The teachers should study this list carefully and know exactly where they belong in the line of march.

The principal of the school that leads each township in the parade will act as captain for that township and aid in getting all the schools of that township in proper line of formation to march.

The teachers will call the roll of pupils before marching, and on a large sheet of paper give the name of school and principal, number of pupils enrolled, and number of pupils in line of march. This paper will be handed to a committee stationed at the front entrance to the school ground by the principal of the school as the line marches out into the street.

The teachers will march their pupils four abreast. They are all urged to keep their lines compact and to keep in close touch with the school in front and thus avoid gaps or breaks in the line of march. The girls are requested to wear white middie blouses or white sailor suits and to go without hats.

The captain of each township will see that some one at the head of his line carries a banner bearing the name of the township.

The schools are all urged to bear appropriate banners for their schools and display their school colors as well. The trustees will lead the line of march preceded by the brass band. The schools will follow in the order in which they are listed.

The line of march will be from the school grounds to the public square. After marching around the square once the trustees will drop out. The schools will continue the march following each other in the regular order about the square several times. They will march back to the school grounds still in the same order, be grouped on the grounds in a body and all sing Caro-

lina. After this the schools will be dismissed for dinner.

### The Arts and Crafts.

In the department of arts and crafts, which will be in the county court house, the judging will be made first by classes A and B, then by schools and then individually.

In making the township awards Laurens and Hunter townships will compose Class A; all the other townships will be in Class B. An award of a blue ribbon will be given to that township in each class which displays the best general school exhibit. Hence there will be given two township awards.

To that school in each township scoring the greatest number of points in all contests will be awarded a prize of \$15.00 worth of library books. There will be nine such prizes given away for which all the schools in the county are contestants except Laurens and Clinton graded schools.

To the pupils winning first, second and third places in each of the literary, athletic and declamation contests will be given ribbons; and to the respective schools represented by these pupils there will be awarded "points" as determined by the committee on prizes. Points will also be awarded to the schools of each township making the best school exhibit for their township.

### Judges.

The judges for the school exhibits will determine the relative merits of the various exhibits and affix blue and red ribbons. The following are asked to serve as judges on the committees named and to meet at the court house, Thursday, April 16, either at 5 p. m. or 8 p. m. as the chairman may decide. The chairman of each committee will please call the others together and see that the work is all done before Friday morning.

Township Judges—Rev. C. F. Rankin, Rev. J. L. Lawson, Mrs. C. W. Tine, Capt. J. M. Dyce, Miss Sallie Nickles, Mrs. Brooks Swygert.

Best School Exhibit—Rev. J. R. T. Major, Mr. W. K. Tate, Mrs. H. K. Aiken, Mrs. J. H. Teague, Miss Agatha Davis.

Writing and Map Drawing—(From 1st through 6th grade) Mrs. S. M. Wilkes, Mrs. R. F. Fleming, Mrs. A. C. Todd, From 7th through 10th—Supt. Ernest Anderson (Newberry), Miss Sadie Goggans (Newberry), Mrs. J. D. Watts.

Cooking—Mrs. C. M. Clark, Mrs. W. D. Byrd, Mrs. W. D. Owens (Clinton), Mrs. Dorroh Peden (Gray Court).

Manual Training for Boys—Mr. J. W. Dunklin, Mr. Chas. F. Brooks, Mr. C. D. Moseley, Mr. W. R. McCuen, Dr. Geo. C. Albright.

Manual Training for Girls—Mrs. J. F. Bolt, Mrs. R. E. Copeland, Mrs. Geo. Balle.

Drawing (From 1st through 5th grade)—Miss Bessie Roland, Mrs. W. F. Moore, Mrs. J. R. T. Major. (From 6th through 10th grade)—Dr. H. K. Aiken, Rev. Sanders Gulnard, Mrs. Jno. A. Hicks, Mrs. J. R. Copeland (Clinton).

Embroidery and Crochet—Mrs. Virginia Calne, Mrs. Will Thomason, Miss Bessie Todd, Miss Annie Garlington, Miss Fay Hudgens, Mrs. T. F. Ray, Mrs. W. D. Ferguson.

Plain Sewing—Mrs. W. P. Childress, Mrs. W. R. Mcuen, Mrs. Lewis Meng, Mrs. Etta Dorroh (Gray Court).

Patching and Button Holes—Mrs. W. E. Barre, Mrs. S. D. Childress, Mrs. T. F. Simpson, Mrs. H. D. Henry (Clinton).

### Base Ball Saturday.

Manager Simpson, of the Watts Mill team, is negotiating with the Enoree aggregation of horse hide flingers to pull off the first engagement of the season at the Watts Mills grounds Saturday afternoon. The Enoree crowd will come into town headed by the redoubtable "Baby" Betsill, of fragrant memory, who will deliver the pill from the center position. The river-side receiver has not yet been named. The Watts Mills team has several husky ones in its long arm squad, but it will be later on in the week before the heaver will be taken from among the bunch. The sessions will begin at 4 o'clock and the usual price of admission will be charged.

### D. A. R. Meeting.

On account of Friday being Good Friday, the meeting of the Daughters of the American Revolution has been postponed from the 10th to the 16th.



JAMES H. SULLIVAN, County Superintendent of Education

## OUTLINE OF THE DAY'S PROGRAM.

10 O'clock—Literary Contests	Laurens Graded School Building
Declamation Contest and Debate	Laurens Graded School Chapel
Elementary Athletic Meet	Laurens Graded School Campus
11:30 O'clock	Grand Parade
12:15 O'clock	Awarding of Ribbons
12:30 O'clock	Dinner
2 O'clock	Debates
2:30 High School Athletic Meet	Laurens Graded School Campus
3:15 High School Oratorical Contest	Laurens Graded School Building
10 A. M. to 5 P. M. Viewing the Exhibits	County Court House

## PRESBYTERIANS SEND FINE REPORT

**Delegates from First Church of Laurens Carry Encouraging Report.**

Rev. C. F. Rankin and Mr. A. C. Todd left yesterday for Greenville to attend the sessions of Enoree presbytery, which will be held with the Fourth Presbyterian church of that city this week. This meeting of the presbytery will be an eventful one because it will mark the last meeting of Laurens county churches as members of Enoree presbytery. In the future Laurens county will be a part of South Carolina presbytery, in which are Greenwood, Abbeville and several other adjoining counties.

The delegates from the Laurens church carry with them one of the best financial reports that they have ever carried, the figures showing a total of \$6,721 collected during the year for local and benevolent causes. This shows a very healthy state of church activities.

The following is a synopsis of the report:

Elders, 8. Deacons, 10. Added during year, 16. Total on roll, 288. Total Sunday school enrollment, 177. Contributed to foreign missions \$1,152. Other benevolent causes . . . . . 1,113

Total for benevolences . . . . . \$2,265  
For pastor's salary . . . \$1,800  
Congregational . . . . . 2,618  
Miscellaneous . . . . . 38

Total for local work . . \$4,456 \$4,456  
Making total for all causes . . . \$6,721

The Sunday school shows contributions for the year of . . . 284  
The Woman's Missionary Society 276  
The DuBose Missionary Society 147  
The Pastor's Aid Society . . . 252  
The Miriams . . . . . 26  
The Covenanters . . . . . 13

### Mr. Browning in Doubt.

Representative Geo. A. Browning, Jr., of Goldville, was in the city Monday. Mr. Browning stated that he has not yet made up his mind whether or not he will offer for re-election this year.

## LAURENS PHILPOT WON.

**Will Represent City High School in the County Fair Contest Next Week.**

In the preliminary oratorical contest held in the graded school auditorium Monday evening, Mr. Laurens Philpot was declared the winner. The preliminary contest was held to decide who would represent the Laurens school in the annual contest held during the county fair each year. All of the four speakers are due much credit for the excellent manner in which they handled their speeches, each one proving himself an orator of no mean ability. The following is the list of the speakers and their subjects: Toussaint L'Overture Leland Bolt  
The Boy in Gray Farris Martin  
The New Americanism Laurens Philpot  
A Collier's Dying Child Walter Rutledge

### First Announcement.

By notice in another column of this paper, it will be seen that the first political announcement of the year has been made, in so far as county politics are concerned. Mere statements and several denials have been made heretofore, but this is the only "all-wool and yard wide" announcement that has yet come forth. The gentleman is Mr. J. B. Hitt, of Cross Hill, who offers himself for re-election as county commissioner. Mr. Hitt was elected in 1912 and has served one term.

### Egg Hunt at Owings.

The public is cordially invited to attend an Easter egg hunt at Mr. and Mrs. Wister Owings' home on Saturday afternoon, April 11th, at four-thirty o'clock. Ice cream and cake will be sold. Proceeds are to go towards Gray Court-Owings new school building.

### Fire Escape to Opera House.

City council has just completed a flight of stairs running up to the rear of the building to serve as a fire escape for the opera house. The steps are reached from the opera house through a door at the rear-center of the stage. The fire escape will also serve as an entrance to the stage itself and will make it more convenient in the future for getting scenery into the building.

## THE JURORS DRAWN FOR CIVIL COURT

**Court Convened the Last Monday in this Month and will Remain in Session for Two Weeks.**

The court of common pleas will convene on Monday, the 27th, of this month and will remain in session for two weeks provided the calendar is not cleared in that time. Judge I. W. Bowman will preside the first week and Judge Frank B. Gary the second week. The following jurors were drawn Monday to serve the first week: Sculleton township—M. G. Patterson, W. J. Fleming, O. L. Hunter. Laurens township—W. N. Austin, W. E. Wilson, Norwood M. Martin, C. B. Adams, F. J. Owings, J. R. Armstrong, J. C. Langston, P. H. Martin.

Dials township—J. W. DuPre, L. A. Armstrong, A. L. Adair, W. Y. Jones, R. E. Moore, W. T. Owings.

Hunter township—Luther L. Young, P. S. Bailey, J. Rhett Copeland, Jno. H. Young.

Cross Hill township—M. G. Boazman, J. H. Atchison, Joseph D. Hill, W. E. Griffin, G. N. Boozer.

Sullivan township—Jeter M. McCuen, S. E. Elledge, S. P. Bolt.

Waterloo township—Walter J. Sanders, J. T. Miller, E. D. Madden.

Youngs township—Robt. A. Harris, E. M. Riddle, O. C. Cox.

## THE MISSIONARY CONFERENCES.

**Will Begin Friday Night and Will Continue Through Sunday.**

The series of Missionary Conferences which were announced last week, to be conducted by Dr. R. E. Gaines, of Richmond College, will begin on Friday night at eight o'clock in the Methodist church. The various denominations of the city are co-operating in these conferences. Conferences will also be held on Saturday morning and afternoon, and Sunday morning, afternoon and night at hours to be announced later. These conferences will all be held in the Methodist church, except the Sunday morning conferences, which will be conducted in the various churches, at which time it is expected to have visiting speakers to address all the congregations. As these conferences are designed to stimulate not only foreign missions, but all the benevolences of the church, it is earnestly hoped that all Christian people will endeavor to be present at every service.

### English Peas in Bloom.

English pea blooms have arrived. At least they have arrived in places. Mrs. John Hicks Monday afternoon gave the Advertiser man the first that he has seen or heard of this spring, having cut them from the garden of Mrs. Miley, wife of the Watts Mills school superintendent. These peas are of a variety which Mrs. Hicks' father, Dr. Breeden, grew at his old home at Allendale for many years. He brought some of the seed with him when he took up his residence here with his daughter last year and part of them were given to Mr. and Mrs. Miley, their kinsmen. If planted at "the first sign of the fishes in November" they are frost-proof and commence to bear early in the spring, as these blooms indicate. With the pea blooms, Mrs. Hicks also brought something which the editors very seldom receive these days, a pretty bouquet of pansies of richest and daintiest coloring.

### Lookout Potato!

Mr. W. Carl Wharton, of Waterloo, was showing several fine Lookout Mountain potatoes on the streets Thursday, at the same time "dishing out" a little information as to how he happened to have them. He said that these potatoes were planted last July and were ready for gathering in November. Some of his friends had told him, however, that it would do to leave them in the ground all winter, so he determined to try it and did so. Several days ago he harvested the crop and found it in excellent condition. The samples which he brought to Laurens were splendid examples of the "potato art".

### Will Remain in Laurens.

Mr. Ed Clary, who has been traveling in Georgia for the past several years, will in the future be located here at home. Mr. Clary has accepted the agency of the Germania Life Insurance Co., one of the largest and most reliable of the American companies. He has located in one of the office rooms in the old law range.

## ATHLETIC CONTEST WILL BE FEATURE

**Elementary Contest in the Morning.**

**EACH TEAM TO HAVE CAPTAIN**

Contests Will Begin at 10 O'clock. Events Divided Into Three Classes: All Three Classes Taking Place at Same Time. Some Important Rules and Regulations for the Guidance of Teachers in Charge of School Teams.

The athletic feats at the county school fair are expected to attract no small amount of attention. A large number of entries have already been received and more are expected daily. The high school contests will be very similar to those held last year and will in all probability be held on the school grounds.

The Elementary Athletic meet will be held in the morning, beginning promptly at 10 o'clock. The meet this year will be unusually interesting and will be a very important part of the fair. Everything will be planned carefully beforehand in order to avoid confusion and to make the events interesting.

As the time allowed for the meet is very limited there are certain points in connection with the events that those in charge of the various school teams should carefully consider and remember.

The meet will begin promptly at 10 o'clock.

Since the time allowed for the various contests is very short it will be impossible to allow one pupil to enter all of the events. The events will be divided into three classes, Class One, Class Two, Class Three. Any pupil may enter all of the events in Class One or Class Two or Class Three but a pupil cannot enter events in more than one class. Please note carefully the divisions which are as follows:

CLASS ONE: 50-yard dash, 100-yard dash, 220-yard run, mile relay race, 24-inch hurdle race, for the boys and 50-yard dash, 100-yard dash, 24-inch hurdle for the girls.

CLASS TWO: potato race, shoe race, three-legged race, for both boys and girls.

CLASS THREE: running high jump, standing high jump, for both boys and girls; and pole vaulting.

Each school is requested to select one teacher or one pupil who will be the captain of the whole team representing that school. The captain should have a complete list of every pupil taking part in the events and in which event or events each will enter. His name should be sent in along with the names of the contestants.

The captains of the teams are requested to assemble near the entrance of the school building at 9.30 promptly on the morning of the fair. This conference is to put the final touches on the meet and is a most important one. It is essential that each captain be present.

Each school will be allowed one contestant for each event, except in the relay race in which each school will have four and in the three-legged race in which each school will have two. Be sure to select alternates for each event.

No one taking part in the literary contest will be allowed to enter the athletic contests. This ruling was necessary in order to finish the two events before the parade.

Children in any of the first seven grades in any school in the county may take part in these secondary events.

The names of all contestants and the events in which they will enter, must be in the hands of the chairman, Mr. Arthur Lee, Laurens, S. C., by Wednesday, April 15th. Unless they are in by that time they will not be allowed to enter the contests.

The order of events cannot be definitely settled until all names of contestants have been handed in. It will be much better if contestant is entered in as few events as possible. This will allow several events to be pulled off at the same time.

### FOR THE BOYS

a 50-yard dash. First three grades. (Continued on Page Five.)